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SUBJ: MALAWI VOTE ON KHMER ITEM

1. AS ONE OF ONLY FIVE AFRICAN STATES TO VOTE YEST ON BOTH PRIORITY AND SUBSTANCE FOR ASEAN KHMER RESOLUTION, MALAWI PROVIDED CRUCIAL SUPPORT FOR SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME THIS ITEM. HOWEVER, MALAWI NEEDED CONSTANT SHORING UP BY MISOFF AND FRIENDLY ASIANS DURING EXTENDED NIGHT SESSION NOV 27-28 WHEN VOTING TOOK PLACE.
2. VOTE ON ONE AMENDMENT TO ASEAN RESOLUTION, WHICH RESULTED IN 51-51 TIE, WOULD HAVE CARRIED FOR FRIENDLY SIDE HAD MALAWIAN PERMREP NOT ELECTED TO DECLINE PARTICIPATION (BY FEIGNING SLEEP).
3. NOR DID MALAWIANS PARTICIPATE IN SECOND VOTE ON THIS AMENDMENT, NOV. 29. WHEN QUESTIONED ON THIS, IMMEDIATELY AFTER VOTE, MALAWIANS ASSURED US AND JAPANESE THAT THEY WOULD VOTE PROPERLY IF ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS CAME UP ON KHMER. FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF ITEM, MALAWIANS TOLD MISOFF THAT THEY WERE PLEASED TO HAVE SUPPORTED ASEANS, AND DID SO ON BASIS OF PRINCIPLE.

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